

II. Production levels other Crops

Sl. No.	Crop	Production (In million tonnes)		Productivity (Kg/ha.)	
		1977-78	1988-89	1977-78	1988-89
1	Pulses	11.97	13.70	510	589
2	Cotton	7.24 (Million Bales)	8.69	157	202
3	Sugarcane	176.97	204.63	56160	60673

Source: Directorate of Economics and Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture, New Delhi.

Discussion between Foreign Secretary and the Prime Minister of China

2259. PROF. RAM KAPSE: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Foreign Secretary of India held any discussions with the Prime Minister of China during his recent visit to China;

(b) if so, the details of bilateral issues that figured in the discussion; and

(c) the follow-up action taken by the Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI MADHAVSINH SOLANKI): (a) The Foreign Secretary called on the Chinese Premier Mr. Li Peng in Beijing on May 13, 1991 during his visit to China for the third meeting of the India-China Joint Working Group on the boundary question.

(b) Bilateral issues discussed during the meeting covered the boundary question, Tibetan activities in India, India's concern about Chinese missile supplies to Pakistan, and the forthcoming visit of the Chinese Premier to India.

On the boundary question, both sides reaffirmed that further efforts should be made towards resolving the issue in a fair, reasonable and mu-

tually acceptable manner in keeping with national interests and national sentiments.

The Chinese side referred to the activities of Tibetan refugees in India. The Foreign Secretary reiterated the Government of India's consistent stand that Tibet is an autonomous region of China and that activities incompatible with this position are not permitted on the Indian soil.

The Foreign Secretary also conveyed to the Chinese Premier India's concern about the supply of sophisticated arms and technologies, including missiles, to Pakistan by China.

Foreign Secretary informed the Chinese Premier that the Government and people of India were looking forward to his visit to this country.

(c) The invitation to Premier Li Peng to visit India has been renewed by the Prime Minister Shri P. V. Narasimha Rao.

The two Governments are continuing their efforts to resolve all outstanding issues through peaceful dialogue.

Production of Betel Leaves

2260. SHRI SATYAGOPAL MISRA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state the steps taken or proposed to be